



Grace Notes
November 2017

Grace Lutheran Church

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From the Pastor's Pen:

Galatians 3:15-16¹⁵ "We who are Jews by birth and not sinful Gentiles¹⁶ know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified.

We just celebrated the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The Reformation was started with the issue of indulgences, but the heart of the matter was really about faith and justification. Justification is the word the Scriptures use to describe how we are made right with God. In the Scriptures, it means most literally, to be declared right (or alright or satisfactory) in God's sight. This doesn't happen because we have always done the right thing; we haven't. Rather, God has graciously forgiven our sins for the sake of Christ.

That might sound a bit philosophical, but the practical upshot is supremely practical and relevant. We don't have to live up to the standard of perfection. Perhaps more accurately we don't have to pretend to be perfect or good, because the reality is we all make mistakes, and we all have issues and struggles.

Paul is crystal clear, no one is justified before God by following the law: not even the Jews, who were God's chosen and holy people. God had been leading them for millennia, he'd been providing them with extra guidance and protection. Yet they still were falling short and not doing a good job of following the law. In fact many of the Pharisees were obsessed with trying to follow the Torah (Old Testament laws) and Jesus said they were not doing a better job of following God, but actually doing a worse job of what God wanted.

Yet thanks be to God for Jesus Christ our Lord! We are made holy and right in God's sight because of what Jesus has done for us, not because of anything we have done. That is why there is nothing more important in life than trusting in Christ, because he alone can save.

God's peace,

Pastor Greg

Growing in Your Faith

SUNDAY MORNING CHRISTIAN EDUCATION at 10:10 a.m.

Adult Bible Study – Conference Room on Verdin Avenue. Led by Laura Goodell.

Sunday School-Sunday School Room-ages 4-grade 5

Jr. Confirmation-Youth Room. Grades 6 & 7. Led by Pastor Greg.

CHRIST CARE GROUP MINISTRIES

Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm- led by Donna Nimmo, 812-637-3297. Details tbd.

Thursday (1st, 3rd, 5th) evenings at 7:00 pm-Led by Sherri Thompson, 598-9422 in the Verdin Conference room. Topic: The Unexplained-Miracles, Mysteries, and More.

OTHER BIBLE STUDY CLASSES

Tuesday afternoons at 4:00 pm-Christian Basics for kids, led by Pastor Greg in the Youth room.

Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. – Conference Room on Verdin Avenue. Led by Pastor Greg. Topic: Amos

Last two Thursdays of the month at 1:00 p.m.-Snack and Scripture Bible Study in the café, led by Pastor Greg.

Office Hours:

Monday-9-4 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday-8-3 pm

October Official Acts

BAPTISMS: Charlotte, Olivia, and Emerson Mock-Flohr-10/1/17

WEDDING: June McRoberts and Lucas Reynolds-10/30/17

Serving in November 2017

Altar Guild:

9:00 am-Tracey Knabe, Nancy Niehaus

11:10 am-Laura Evans

Elders:

9:00 am-Mike McCabe; 11:10 am-Scott Evans

TIME CHANGE IS NOVEMBER 5TH! BE SURE TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS
BACK ONE HOUR BEFORE BED ON SATURDAY!

SUPER SATURDAY VBS!

November 11th

10:30 am-12:30 pm

Sign-up sheet is in the Verdin entryway.

Sunday, Nov. 12th is LWML Sunday, Mite Sunday,
and Bake Sale!

Community Thanksgiving Dinner is November 14th
5:30-6:30 pm.

The Hispanic Family Thanksgiving at Grace
is November 17th at 7:00 pm.

Help is needed. See sign-up sheets in
Verdin entryway.

There is a Congregational Meeting on November 19th at 10:10 am. The
purpose of this meeting is to approve the 2018 budget.

THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP SERVICE IS NOVEMBER 22ND AT 7:00
pm.

Call the office if you need a ride.

LADIES' ANNUAL NOEL DINNER IS
NOVEMBER 30TH!

TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW.

MENU: ITALIAN CHICKEN, PARSLEY POTATOES,
VEGETABLE MEDLEY, ROLL, & SALAD.
ENTERTAINMENT BY THE FINNEYTOWN
HIGH SCHOOL CHORALE.



November

3rd-Tom Knabe

7th-Nolan Wullenweber

12th-Jillian Enterline

16th-Abby Sohn

18th-Betty Lee

27th-Clyde Wullenweber



Remember in your prayers

Del Bowling, Carol Bowling, Dave and Linda Eisele, Margaret Fischvogt, Shirley Fischvogt as she moves to Texas this month, Dawn and Emmaleigh Howard, Ruth Jennrich, Becky Kannenberg, Tom Knabe, Elisabeth Manor, Linda McCabe, Donna Nimmo, Ken Ross, Clara Schablein, David Stamper, Ruth Thomas, Chase, and Clyde Wullenweber.

Friends of the parish: Landon Amand, Mike Bender, Dan Brunsman, Paul Chapman, Steve Cheesebrew, Dick Cranston, Evangeline Devol, Beth Earles, Kathy Enterline, Ken Gardner, Kelly Hampton, David Hensley, Madison Hochman, Matt Kammerer, Jarred Kimble, Sue Kuehm, Jen Lichtenberger, Marty Link, Kelly Mastin, Sue McAllister, Dena Papin, Lisa Pfaehler, Charlie & Jackie Phillips, Kelly Reupert, Karl Robben, Ken Schnell, Carl Servizzi, Jan Shively, Grace Singler, Ken Spille, Nancy Thomas, Eric Thompson, Jon Veite, Ann Wade, Steve Westerkamp, Reagan Woodburn and Hannah Ziesmann.

Those serving our country: Michael Kappa, Michael Lee, Andy Goff, Craig Martin and Dana Rolfes.

Missionaries: Roeske family in Alaska, the Esala family

Gifts given to Grace:

In loving memory of Howard Eggerding: by MM Bill Schmithorst, MM Clyde Wullenweber, MM Richard Smith, MM Ralph Siereveld, Dave Schwoeppe, MM Dave Hampton, Margaret Fischvogt, MM Terry McCabe, Esther Goldfuss, Danielle English, MM Wayne Rogers, MM Ralph Drees, Muriel Pohl, MM Herbert Hoetke, MM William Church, June Gilliland, Bill Uffman, and Scott, Sue, and Kurt Kuwatch.



WESTFED FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

November items: canned fruit, toilet paper, mac & cheese

Please continue to save brown paper grocery bags for use by the pantry. Boxes for bags and food donations are located upstairs and downstairs. Monetary donations are always welcome. Make checks payable to "GLC" and memo "WestFed" on the check.



LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Don't forget "Mighty Mites" collected the first Sunday of each month. When you "feed" that hungry Mite box, your offerings support the missions in the Ohio District and around the world. The LWML Ohio District receives 75% of these offerings and 25% is sent to the National LWML.

At the national level, your "mites" support Redeeming Life Maternity Home in Sanford, Florida with a \$100,000 grant.

Your Ohio District "mites" support Project Hope for the Homeless at Zion Lutheran Church in Painesville, Ohio with a \$10,000 grant. Working with Ecumenical Shelter Network of Lake County, Ohio, this grant will assist Project Hope in responding to the human hurts and hopes of homeless persons in Lake County, Ohio by providing emergency shelter, care and guidance in the name of Jesus Christ.

2016-2018 LWML Ohio District Mission Goal for Mites: \$205, 000.00

Mites received as of June, 2017: \$97,876.00

Mites needed each month for the next 14 months: \$9,775.00

2015-2017 LWML National Level
Mission Goal for Mites: \$2,000,000



GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
KINGDOM CONCEPT

The members of Grace Lutheran Church glorify God and make disciples by engaging the community through educational opportunities and using these opportunities to intentionally share Christ.

"VISION MARKS"

Together we will
Proclaim the
Be increasingly
Bring Christ's
Constantly

GROW in God's Word
REDEMPTION through God's Grace
ACTIVE in service to the Lord
CARE to our community and beyond
EQUIPPING believers for a life of Discipleship

MISSION STATEMENT: We go in service to all people – sharing, caring and teaching – to bring them to Christ.

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